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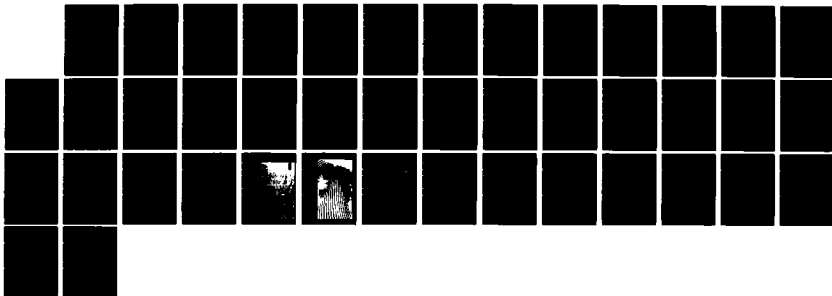
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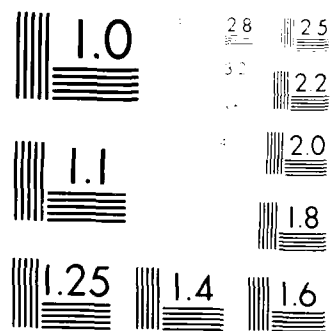
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### ABSTRACT

Post's white light moire interferometry was used to obtain sequential records of the transient  $u_y$ -displacement fields associated with stable crack growth in 7075-T6 and 2024-O, single edge notched (SEN) specimens with fatigued cracks. The  $u_y$ -displacement fields were used to evaluate the crack tip opening displacement (CTOD), far and near-field J-integral values, Dugdale strip yield model, William's polynomial function and the HRR fields.

### INTRODUCTION

Crack growth in ductile material can be divided into three stages, namely, 1) plastic yielding and the onset of stable crack growth, 2) stable crack growth and 3) rapid tearing. Since the measured crack velocity during rapid tearing is less than 5 percent of the dilatational wave velocity [1,2,3], rapid tearing and stable crack growth can be considered as quasi-static deformation processes. The crack-tip state for rapidly tearing and stably growing cracks, however, are different from that of a stationary crack. Asymptotic analyses of a stationary crack in an elastic, perfectly plastic solid under infinitesimal deformation show that the strains vary as  $1/r$  but for a growing crack the strains vary as  $\ln(1/r)$  [4-8]. On the other hand, numerical studies [9-13] on stable crack growth do not address the crack tip singularity problem but discuss the somewhat near stress field surrounding the crack tip.

Numerous fracture parameters which characterize stable crack growth under small-scale yielding condition, such as average crack opening angle (COA) [14],

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crack tip opening angle (CTOA) [15], crack tip opening displacement (CTOD) [16], critical strain [17,18], energy release rate [19], crack tip force [20], J-resistance curve [21] and tearing modulus (T) [22], have been proposed. Of these, the crack tip opening angle (CTOA) or displacement (CTOD) was shown to be suited for modeling stable crack growth and instability during the fracture process [15,20,21].

Under large-scale yielding condition, however, there is no analytical solution available for stable crack growth. Attempts have been made to extend the ductile fracture criteria for small-scale yielding and stable crack growth to large-scale yielding. The few results published to date [1,2,15,20] indicate that under limited conditions, the CTOA or CTOD, are plausible ductile fracture criteria. The purpose of this paper is to present preliminary experimental findings on the crack tip parameters which control the initiation and propagation of stable crack growth. An approximate J-integral evaluation procedure based on  $u_y$ -displacement field is also presented.

#### ANALYTICAL BACKGROUND

##### (1) J-integral

For two-dimensional problems of materials governed by nonlinear elasticity and deformation plasticity theory subjected to monotonically loading condition, the J-integral is defined as [23]

$$J = \int_{\Gamma} W dy - \vec{T} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial x} ds \quad (1) \quad \checkmark$$

where

- $\Gamma$  : contour surrounding the crack tip
- $\vec{T}$  : traction vector along the contour
- $\vec{u}$  : displacement vector on the contour
- $W$  : strain energy density on the contour

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In the following, an experimental procedure for direct far-field and approximate near-field J-integral measurement is introduced. The underlining methodology is to compute the J value with only the  $u_y$ -displacement field which is obtained from a single moire interferometry recording.

### Far-field J-integral Measurement

Consider a line-integration contour in a single edge notched (SEN) specimen subjected to Mode I loading condition as shown in Figure 1. Due to symmetry, only half of the contour is needed for J calculation.

Along the vertical segment 12, 34, which are free surfaces, the second term of the integrand as well as all stress components except  $\sigma_{yy}$ , which is subject to uniaxial tension, in  $W$  vanish. Thus, the strain energy density,  $W$ , along 12, 34 is

$$W = \int \sigma_{yy} d\epsilon_{yy}$$

For an elastic field,  $\sigma_{yy} = \epsilon_{yy} * E$  and  $W = \frac{1}{2} E \epsilon_{yy}^2$ , where  $E$  is the modulus of elasticity. Under plastic yielding, e.g.,  $\epsilon_{yy} > \frac{\sigma_o}{E}$ , the following two cases are considered. For an elastic, perfectly plastic material,

$$\sigma_{yy} = \sigma_o \quad (2a)$$

and

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sigma_o^2}{E} + \sigma_o \left( \epsilon_{yy} - \frac{\sigma_o}{E} \right) \quad (2b)$$

For a power hardening material,

$$\epsilon_{yy} = \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{E} + \alpha \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{E} \left( \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{\sigma_o} \right)^{N-1} \quad (2c)$$

and

$$W = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sigma_{yy}^2}{E} + \frac{N}{N+1} \frac{\alpha}{E} \sigma_{yy}^2 \left( \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{\sigma_0} \right)^{N-1} \quad (2d)$$

where  $\sigma_0$  is the yield stress,  $N$  is the strain hardening constant and  $\alpha$  is a dimensionless material constant,  $\sigma_{yy}$  is calculated from Equation (2c) for a given  $\epsilon_{yy}$  which can be determined experimentally from the moire data.

Thus the integral value of Equation (1) along the vertical edges of segments 12 and 34, is

$$\begin{aligned} J_v &= \int_{\underline{12} + \underline{34}} W \, dy \\ &= (\sum_i W_i \, \Delta y_i)_{\underline{12}} + (\sum_i W_i \, \Delta y_i)_{\underline{34}} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

where  $i$  is the  $i$ th segment of the contour.

Along the horizontal segment 23,  $dy$  is zero and the first term of the integrand in Equation (1) vanishes. The traction,  $\vec{T}$ , along this segment are  $T_y = \sigma_{yy}$  and  $T_x = \tau_{xy}$ . At this point we assume that the shear stress,  $\tau_{xy}$ , and the displacement,  $u_x$ , are negligible along segment 23. This assumption is justified if segment 23 is sufficiently far away from the crack. The integral value of Equation (1) along segment 23 thus becomes

$$\begin{aligned} J_h &= \int_{\underline{23}} T_y \cdot \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} \, dx \\ &= \sum [(\sigma_{yy} \cdot \frac{\Delta u_y}{\Delta x})_i \, \Delta x_i]_{\underline{23}} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Again, for the  $\sigma_{yy}$  term, the same stress-strain relation, e.g., Equations (2) is used. Finally, the J-integral value is given by

$$J = 2(J_v + J_h) \quad (5)$$

The above experimental procedure for determining J-integral value was carried out using strain gages and linear variable displacement transducers at discrete points along the specimen boundary [24-26]. Since the test data in these references were obtained from few locations, Equation (5) could only be evaluated at a few discrete locations. Moire interferometry, on the other hand, provides an easy alternative for implementing this method with better accuracy. Since it yields highly sensitive displacement field, the approximate analysis proposed above requires only a single  $u_y$ -displacement moire field for calculating the J-integral.

#### Near-field J-integral Measurement

While the above procedure is valid for far-field J-integral evaluation, its validity for the near field integration contour, such as the inside rectangular contour shown in Figure 1, must be justified. First, we will show that the above far field J-integral measurement procedure is a reasonable approximation for the near-field J value in a linear elastic field.

Consider a rectangular contour around the crack tip as shown in the legend of Figure 2. For a linearly elastic material, the J integral along the horizontal segment 13 can be expressed in terms of displacements  $u_x$  and  $u_y$  as

$$J_h = \int_h \left\{ -2G M_1 \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} - G \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} + M_2 \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} \right) \right\} dx \quad (6a)$$

Along the two vertical segments, 01 and 34,

$$J_v = \int_v \left\{ G M_1 \left( \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} \right)^2 + G \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} \right) \left( \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} \right) - M_1 \left( \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} \right)^2 \right] \right\} dy \quad (6b)$$



where  $G$  is the shear modulus,  $\nu$  is the Poisson's ratio and

$$M_1 = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1-\nu} & \text{(plane stress)} \\ \frac{1-\nu}{1-2\nu} & \text{(plane strain)} \end{cases} \quad (6c)$$

$$M_2 = (2M_1 - 1) \quad (6d)$$

The second term of the integrand in Equations (6a) and (6b) were neglected in evaluating the far-field J-integral. For the near-field J-integral evaluation, we will also assume that the contour integrals, as represented by Equation (3) and (4), can be used. The error due to such assumption is evaluated in the following.

Consider a crack in a two dimensional linear elastic material. The mode I crack -tip displacements are

$$u_x = \frac{K_I}{G} \frac{\sqrt{r}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} [M_3 + \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}] \quad (7a)$$

$$u_y = \frac{K_I}{G} \frac{\sqrt{r}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} [M_4 - \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}] \quad (7b)$$

where  $r$  and  $\theta$  are the polar coordinates with the origin at the crack-tip,  $K_I$  is the mode I stress intensity factor and

$$M_3 = \begin{cases} \frac{1-\nu}{1+\nu} & \text{(plane stress)} \\ 1-2\nu & \text{(plane strain)} \end{cases} \quad (7c)$$

$$M_4 = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{1+\nu} & \text{(plane stress)} \\ 2-2\nu & \text{(plane strain)} \end{cases} \quad (7d)$$

After substituting Equations (7a) and (7b) into Equations (6a) and (6b), the first and second terms of the integrand in Equations (6a) and (6b) are evaluated along a non-dimensionalized half square contour, 01234, as shown in Figure 2. Results of the numerical integration using either the first and second terms or the first term alone in Equations (6a) and (6b) as one traverses along the half contour are plotted in Figures 2 and 3. In these figures, the former and latter J-integral values are denoted as "theoretical" and "approximate" values respectively. Notable is the close proximity between the theoretical and approximate summation of  $\Delta J$ ,  $\Sigma \Delta J$ , along the contour before entering segment 34. The nondimensionalized  $J = \Sigma \Delta J$  values at point 4 shows about 14% difference between the theoretical and approximate  $\Sigma \Delta J$  values.

We further evaluate the validity of this J approximation procedure for a crack tip region characterized by a Hutchinson-Rice-Rosengren singular field [27,28]. Again consider a rectangular contour surrounding a crack tip as shown in the legend of Figure 4. The HRR stress, strain and displacement field within this rectangular region can be expressed as [27,28]

$$\sigma_{ij} = \sigma_o \left[ \frac{J}{\alpha \sigma_o \epsilon_o I_N r} \right]^{\frac{1}{N+1}} \tilde{\sigma}_{ij}(\theta) \quad (8a)$$

$$\epsilon_{ij} = \alpha \epsilon_o \left[ \frac{J}{\alpha \sigma_o \epsilon_o I_N r} \right]^{\frac{N}{N+1}} \tilde{\epsilon}_{ij}(\theta) \quad (8b)$$

$$u_i = \alpha \epsilon_o r \left[ \frac{J}{\alpha \sigma_o \epsilon_o I_N r} \right]^{\frac{N}{N+1}} \tilde{u}_i(\theta) \quad (8c)$$

$$W = \frac{N}{N+1} \sigma_{ij} \epsilon_{ij} \quad (8d)$$

where  $I_N$  is a dimensionless constant which varies with plane stress or plane strain conditions.  $\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}(\theta)$ ,  $\tilde{\epsilon}_{ij}(\theta)$  and  $\tilde{u}_i(\theta)$  are dimensionless functions

of  $\theta$ . For the approximate  $J_h$  and  $J_v$  as represented by Equations (3) and (4), the needed  $\sigma_{yy}$  and  $W$  can be represented as

$$\sigma_{yy} = \sigma_0 \left( \frac{\epsilon_{yy}}{\alpha \epsilon_0} \right)^{1/N} \quad (9a)$$

$$W = \frac{N}{N+1} \alpha \sigma_{yy} \epsilon_{yy} \quad (9b)$$

Equation (9a) and (9b) represents the plastic components of Equations (2c) and (2d) where the elastic components are assumed negligible in the region characterized by the HRR field.

The approximate  $J$  can then be evaluated by substituting Equations (8a) and (8b) into Equation (9) and evaluating the integral along the non-dimensionalized half square contour. Also, the theoretical  $J$  is evaluated by substituting Equation (8) into Equation (1) and evaluating the integral along the non-dimensionalized half square contour. A state of plane stress with  $N=2, 5, 50$  were chosen for this analysis. Numerical values for  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\theta)$ ,  $\hat{\epsilon}_{ij}(\theta)$  and  $\hat{u}_1(\theta)$  were obtained from [29]. The results are shown in Figures 4, 5 and 6. Good agreement between the theoretical and approximate  $J$ -integral are noted.

The results of Figures 2 through 6 suggest that the approximate  $J$  as determined by the far-field solution, is reasonably correct when used in a HRR dominated crack tip region. However, when used in a crack tip field dominated by linear elasticity, the error is noticeable. Figures 2 and 3 show that this error is generated during the last integration path or along the vertical contour, line 34, indicating that the assumed uniaxial tension state is not a reasonable approximation of the true state of elastic stresses along line 34. In contrast, both the assumed uniaxial tension state of stress and the true state of stresses of the HRR field along line 34 have negligible effect on the

J value as evidenced in Figures 4, 5 and 6 with the flat portion along the last integration path or line 34, and thus the approximate procedure of evaluating J works reasonably well. This induced error in the elastic crack tip stress field can be reduced if line 34 is situated within the region of uniaxial tension or more specifically along a free boundary. As will be shown later, under such restriction the approximate J will provide reasonably accurate J values in an elastic fracture specimen.

The J value can also be linked to the crack tip opening displacement (CTOD) through [30] as

$$\delta_t = D_N J / \sigma_o \quad (10)$$

where  $D_N$  values can be found in [29].

## (2) Dugdale-Barenblatt Strip Yield Model

For an elastic perfect-plastic material, the crack-tip displacement fields for a Mode I plane stress Dugdale-Barenblatt strip yield model can be expressed [31] as

$$\begin{aligned} u_x = \frac{1}{2G} \frac{\sigma_o}{\pi} \left\{ 2\sqrt{r} r_y \cos \frac{\theta}{2} [1-2\nu + 2\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}] - (1-2\nu) r_y \Psi \right. \\ \left. - r[(1-2\nu)(\Psi \cos \theta + \sin \theta \log R) - \sin \theta \log R] \right\} \\ + \frac{1}{2G} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ (-1)^n d_{2n-1} r^{n-1/2} [F_1(n, \theta, \nu) \cos \theta - F_3(n, \theta, \nu) \sin \theta] \right. \\ \left. + (-1)^n d_{2n} r^n [-F_2(n, \theta, \nu) \cos \theta - F_4(n, \theta, \nu) \sin \theta] \right\} \quad (11a) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_y = \frac{1}{2G} \frac{\sigma_o}{\pi} \left\{ 2\sqrt{r} r_y \sin \frac{\theta}{2} [2-2\nu - 2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}] + (2-2\nu) r_y \log R \right. \\ \left. + r[(2-2\nu)(\log R \cos \theta - \Psi \sin \theta) + \Psi \sin \theta] \right\} \\ + \frac{1}{2G} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ (-1)^n d_{2n-1} r^{n-1/2} [F_1(n, \theta, \nu) \sin \theta + F_3(n, \theta, \nu) \cos \theta] \right. \\ \left. + (-1)^n d_{2n} r^n [-F_2(n, \theta, \nu) \cos \theta + F_4(n, \theta, \nu) \sin \theta] \right\} \quad (11b) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$r_y = \frac{\pi}{4} \frac{d_1^2}{\sigma_0} = \frac{\pi}{8} \frac{K_I^2}{\sigma_0} \quad (11c)$$

$$F_1(n, \theta, \nu) = \left( \frac{7}{2} - n - 4\nu \right) \cos\left(n - \frac{3}{2}\right)\theta + \left(n - \frac{3}{2}\right) \cos\left(n + \frac{3}{2}\right)\theta$$

$$F_2(n, \theta, \nu) = (3 - n - 4\nu) \cos(n - 1)\theta + (n + 1) \cos(n + 1)\theta \quad (11d)$$

$$F_3(n, \theta, \nu) = \left( \frac{5}{2} + n - 4\nu \right) \sin\left(n - \frac{3}{2}\right)\theta - \left(n - \frac{3}{2}\right) \sin\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\theta$$

$$F_4(n, \theta, \nu) = -(3 + n - 4\nu) \sin(n - 1)\theta + (n + 1) \sin(n + 1)\theta$$

$$\Psi = \tan^{-1} \left\{ \frac{-2 \sqrt{r_y} r \cos \theta/2}{r_y - r} \right\}$$

$$R = \frac{[(r_y - r)^2 + 4r_y r \cos^2 \theta/2]^{1/2}}{r_y + r - 2 \sqrt{r_y} r \sin \theta/2}$$

$$d_1 = \frac{K_I}{2\pi}$$

and  $K_I$  is the Mode I stress intensity factor.

The CTOD for the Dugdale-Barenblatt strip yield model become [31]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CTOD} = & \frac{1}{2G} (4 - 4\nu) \frac{\sigma_0}{\pi} r_y \left\{ \frac{r}{r_y} - \left( \frac{r_y - r}{2 r_y} \right) \log \left( \frac{r_y + r}{r_y - r} \right) \right\} \\ & + \frac{1}{2G} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ (-1)^{n+1} d_{2n-1} r^{n-1/2} F_3(n, \pi, \nu) + (-1)^n d_{2n} r^n F_2(n, \pi, \nu) \right\} \quad (12) \end{aligned}$$

## EXPERIMENTAL APPROACH

White light moire interferometry [32] was used to obtain a single-frame record of static and dynamic displacement fields surrounding the crack tip in slowly and rapidly fracturing 7075-T6 and 2024-0 aluminum SEN specimens. Figures 7 and 8 show the optical system which utilizes a compensator grating of half frequency,  $f/2$ , where  $f = 1200$  lines/mm, to illuminate the reference and

specimen gratings of full and half frequencies, respectively. The achromatic light emerges from the compensator as monochromatic light beams at different diffraction angles and generates the same moire pattern for each wave length. The camera records the scalar sum of the light intensities associated with various wave length and thus much of the original white light intensity is recovered. When an incoherent light source is used, the gap between the reference and active gratings must be small. This white light moire interferometry provides the high sensitivity associated with high frequency gratings and the bright light source using a relatively simple experimental setup. The white light moire fringe patterns were recorded on a 35 mm camera with a 100 mm focal length lens and a 100 mm aperture. A motor-driven camera provided up to 6 frame per second sequential records of the moire fringes. Using this setup, the same moire pattern and light source, which is used to align the optical system for static recording, can be used to record dynamic moire fringe patterns as the specimen is through its static discharge.

## RESULTS

Fracture tests were conducted under monotonically increasing displacement loadings. The specimen configuration, material properties and the two material coefficients for the power hardening stress-strain relations are shown in Figure 9. These material properties indicate that aluminum 7075-T6 is essentially an elastic-perfect plastic material while 2024-T3 is a strain hardening material. Figures 10 and 11 are typical white light moire interferometry fringe patterns of aluminum 7075-T6 and 2024-T3 SEN specimen with static crack growth. The approximate  $\frac{1}{2}$  evaluation procedure was used to analyze both 7075-T6 and 2024-T3 tests in plane stress along different paths which are shown in Figures 12 and 13.

### 7075-T6 SEN Specimens

Since 7075-T6 aluminum is a relatively brittle material with the crack-tip being surrounded with small scale yielding, the far-field  $J$  value as well as the near-field  $J$  value outside of the yield zone can be determined by elastic analysis. These elastic values are used to verify the accuracy of the experimental and data reduction procedures used in this paper.

Figure 12 shows the log-log plot of the  $u_y$ -displacement versus radial distance up to marked boundary where the slope was  $0.5 \pm 0.05$ . Experimental deviation in the slope of  $\log u_y$  versus  $\log r$  curve was determined by linear regression of a straight line fitting through the data points in Figure 12 and then computing the percentage deviation in slope from the crack tip. The average slope of  $1/2$  in the vicinity of the crack tip indicates that the elastic field prevailed in this specimen up to a distance 1.2 mm from the crack tip. The approximate  $J$  values which were determined by the above mentioned  $J$  evaluation procedure are shown in Table 1. Also shown for comparison purpose in Table 1 are the corresponding stress intensity factor values computed by  $K = \sqrt{J \cdot E}$  using the  $J$  values obtained from the moire fringes and the  $K$  values computed by using the formula in ASTM STP 410 [33], the William's polynomial function [34] and the Dugdale strip yield model. Figure 13 is the corresponding plots of the stress intensity factor,  $K$ , versus applied load. Good agreements between the measured  $K$  and that computed by ASTM STP 410 results are noted. Also shown in Table 1 are the experimentally measured and the computed CTOD values based on the Dugdale-Barenblatt strip yield model. The computed CTOD value were obtained by least square fitting Equation (11) with  $n=2$  which is a four parameter characterization of the crack tip stress field to the  $u_y$ -displacement field of the moire fringes. The

parameters, (e.g.  $d_n$  and  $r_y$ ) were then back substituted to Equation (12) and the CTOD value was computed. Figure 14 shows CTOD plots of the 7075-T6 fatigue precracked specimens versus applied load. The same CTOD values were observed before the onset of unstable crack growth in this fatigue pre-cracked SEN specimens.

Table 2 shows the approximate  $J$  values which were determined along the three contours in the 7075-T6 SEN specimen shown in Figure 10, for ten sequential moire fringe patterns of stable crack growth. As expected in this elastic specimen, the  $J$ -values along these three contours, far to near field contours are in good agreement with each other.

#### 2024-0 SEN Specimens

A 2024-0 SEN specimens, with fatigue precrack, were tested to failure. Unlike the 7075-T6 specimens, no unstable crack growth were observed in these specimens which exhibited large scale yielding. Figure 15 shows the log-log plots of the  $u_y$ -displacement versus distance to the crack tip of Figure 11. The average slopes near the crack tip within the marked region in Figure 15 is  $1/6 \pm 0.02$  which is the predicted exponent for a HRR displacement fields [27,28]. Table 3 shows the approximate  $J$  values obtained from the sequential moire interferometry recordings of the test specimen along three different paths as shown in Figure 11 for each frame. These results show that within the relatively short crack extension of 0.75 mm,  $J$  is still a valid parameter for characterizing the crack tip [35] and Equation (10) is valid within this loading range. The path independency of the measured  $J$  values for each frame is an experimental validation of the  $J$  estimation procedure proposed in this paper. Figure 16 shows the increases in the approximate  $J$  values, which are consistent with published results [20,21], with crack extension for



the 2024-0 specimen. Notable in Figure 16 is the slopes  $dJ/da$  of the  $J$  values which remain constant during the initial short crack extension of 0.4-0.5 mm and its continuous decrease beyond this short crack extension. Figure 17 shows the increases in CTOD values with crack extension. These CTOD values can be linked to the corresponding measured  $J$  values through Equation (10) where Figure 18 show the variations of the experimental determined  $D_N$  values which agree favorably with the  $D_N$  value determined by the HRR field, (e.g.,  $D_N=0.33$  for 2024-0 aluminum material).

### CONCLUSIONS

1. White light moire technique was used to determine the  $u_y$ -displacement field of stably growing cracks in 7075-T6 and 2024-0 aluminum SEN specimens.
2. An procedure for estimating  $J$  from the recorded  $u_y$ -displacement field was developed. This approximate  $J$  agrees reasonably well in a HRR crack tip field but required special handling when used in an elastic crack tip field.
3. The approximate  $J$  and CTOD at the onset and during stable crack growth were recorded. Limited data suggests that there exist a constant CTOD for unstable crack propagation in 7075-T6 aluminum SEN specimen. HRR field dominates stable crack growth in 2024-0 aluminum SEN specimen.

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Table 1 Measured and Calculated J, K and CTOD of 7075-T6 Aluminum SEN Specimen with Fatigue Precrack.

Frame no.	Applied load (KN)	Crack length (mm)	Measured J (MPa m)	K (stress intensity factor)				Measured CTOD (10 <sup>-3</sup> mm)	Calculated CTOD ** (10 <sup>-3</sup> mm)
				1*	2*	3*	4*		
				(MPa $\sqrt{\text{m}}$ )					
1	1.17	2.18	0.0008	7.7	7.5	7.8	7.7	3.3	4.1
2	1.93	2.18	0.0022	12.1	12.5	14.7	13.0	4.1	5.0
3	2.85	2.18	0.0050	18.8	18.9	20.5	16.9	5.8	7.9
4	3.30	2.40	0.0066	23.1	21.8	22.2	21.8	7.3	9.5
5	3.60	2.48	0.0083	25.9	24.4	27.6	22.8	7.9	10.1
6	3.98	2.65	0.0110	29.9	28.1	28.2	25.7	9.1	11.2
7	4.29	2.84	0.0133	33.9	30.8	29.4	28.6	9.9	14.1
8***	4.35	2.94	0.0151	35.2	32.9	30.0	28.9	9.9	15.0
9***	4.61	3.11	0.0205	38.9	38.3	37.9	32.2	9.9	18.0
10***	4.90	4.01	0.0340	50.8	49.1	43.3	37.6	9.9	20.2

1\* : based on ASTM STP 410 K evaluation procedure.

2\* : based on J evaluation procedure, e.g.  $K = \sqrt{J \cdot E}$ .

3\* : based on the William's polynomial function.

4\* : based on the Dugdale-Barenblatt strip yield model.

\*\* : based on the Dugdale-Barenblatt strip yield model.

\*\*\*: rapid crack growth.

Table 2 Measured Approximate J Values for Different Contours in 7075-T6 Aluminum SEN Specimen with Fatigued Precrack.

Frame no.	Applied load (KN)	Crack length (mm)	Measured J		
			#1	#2 (Mpa m)	#3 <sup>*</sup>
1	1.17	2.18	$0.75 \times 10^{-3}$	$0.79 \times 10^{-3}$	$0.81 \times 10^{-3}$
2	1.93	2.18	$1.96 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.15 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.43 \times 10^{-3}$
3	2.85	2.18	$4.66 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.03 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.23 \times 10^{-3}$
4	3.30	2.40	$6.32 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.68 \times 10^{-3}$	$7.00 \times 10^{-3}$
5	3.60	2.48	$7.75 \times 10^{-3}$	$8.36 \times 10^{-3}$	$8.80 \times 10^{-3}$
6	3.98	2.65	$10.7 \times 10^{-3}$	$10.8 \times 10^{-3}$	$11.6 \times 10^{-3}$
7	4.29	2.84	$13.2 \times 10^{-3}$	$13.3 \times 10^{-3}$	$13.3 \times 10^{-3}$
8**	4.35	2.94	$14.9 \times 10^{-3}$	$15.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$15.3 \times 10^{-3}$
9**	4.61	3.11	$18.7 \times 10^{-3}$	$20.4 \times 10^{-3}$	$22.2 \times 10^{-3}$
10**	4.90	4.01	$33.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$33.7 \times 10^{-3}$	$34.1 \times 10^{-3}$

\* : far-field contour

\*\* : rapid crack growth

Table 3 Measured Approximate J Values for Different Contours in 2024-O Aluminum SEN Specimen with Fatigued Precrack.

Frame no.	Applied load (KN)	Crack length (mm)	Measured J		
			#1	#2	#3 <sup>*</sup>
			(Mpa m)		
1	0.90	1.59	$0.37 \times 10^{-3}$	$0.36 \times 10^{-3}$	$0.36 \times 10^{-3}$
2	1.24	1.63	$2.06 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.03 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.04 \times 10^{-3}$
3	1.46	1.66	$3.30 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.28 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.27 \times 10^{-3}$
4	1.68	1.69	$4.22 \times 10^{-3}$	$4.17 \times 10^{-3}$	$4.18 \times 10^{-3}$
5	1.81	1.74	$6.23 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.12 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.10 \times 10^{-3}$
6	2.00	1.78	$7.01 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.71 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.82 \times 10^{-3}$
7	2.11	1.89	$10.2 \times 10^{-3}$	$10.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$10.0 \times 10^{-3}$
8	2.21	1.98	$12.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$11.6 \times 10^{-3}$	$11.7 \times 10^{-3}$
9	2.23	2.14		$13.2 \times 10^{-3}$	$12.9 \times 10^{-3}$
10	2.30	2.36		$14.8 \times 10^{-3}$	$14.4 \times 10^{-3}$

\* : far-field contour

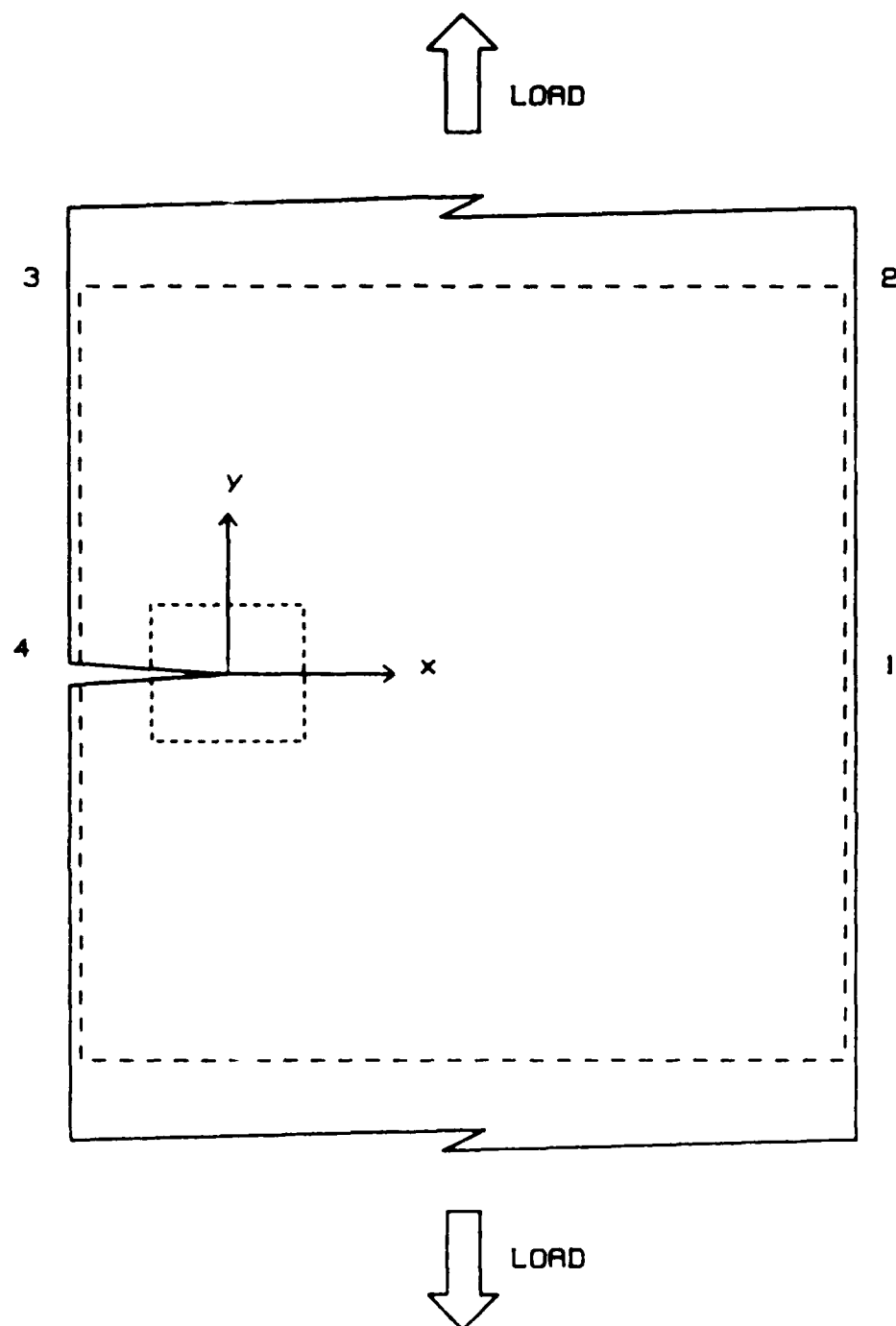


Figure 1. Contours for Direct Evaluation of Far and Near Field Integrals of a Single Edge Notched (SEN) Specimen.



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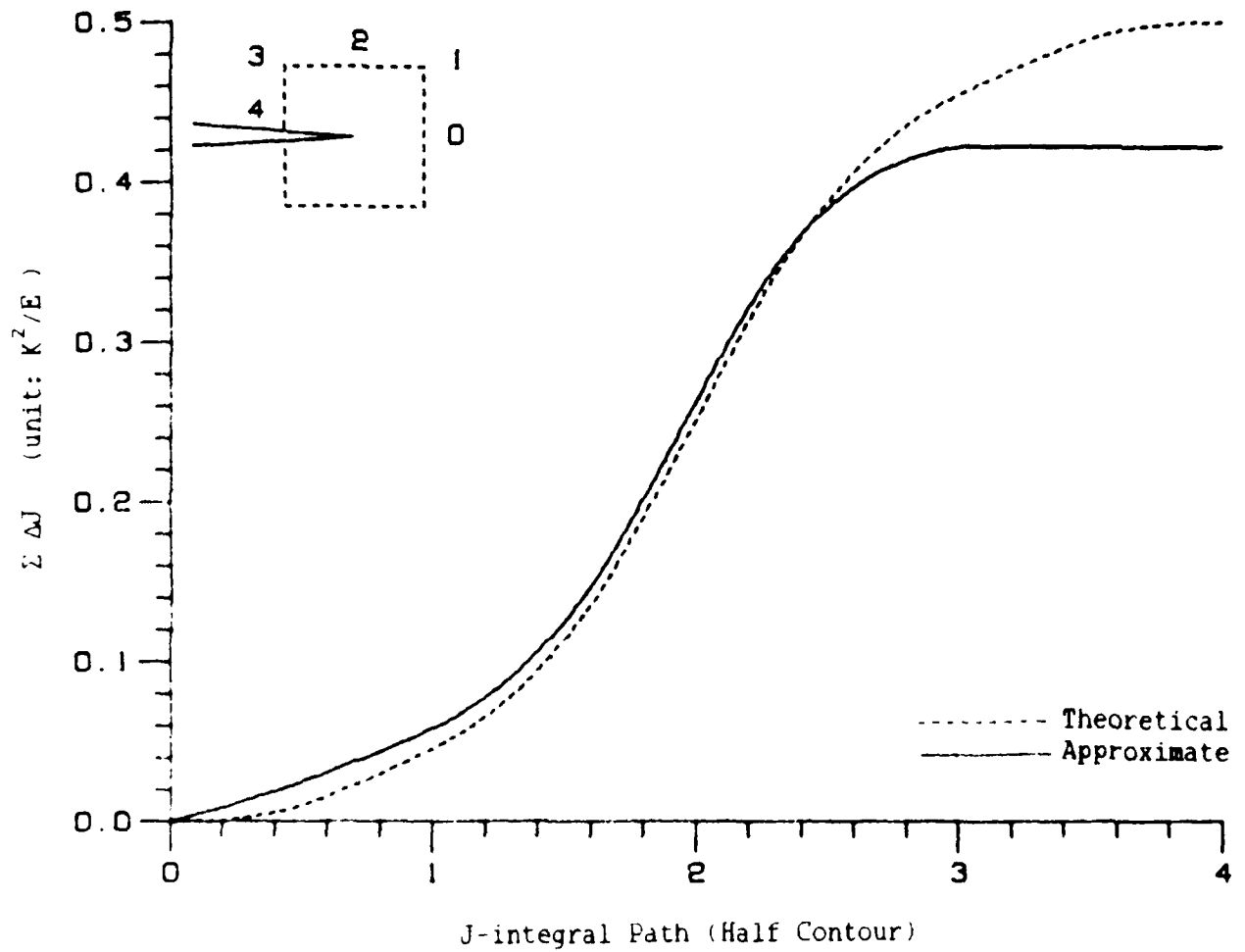


Figure Theoretical and Approximate Integral Values,  $\Sigma \Delta J$ .  
Linear Elastic, Plane Stress,  $\nu=0.3$ .

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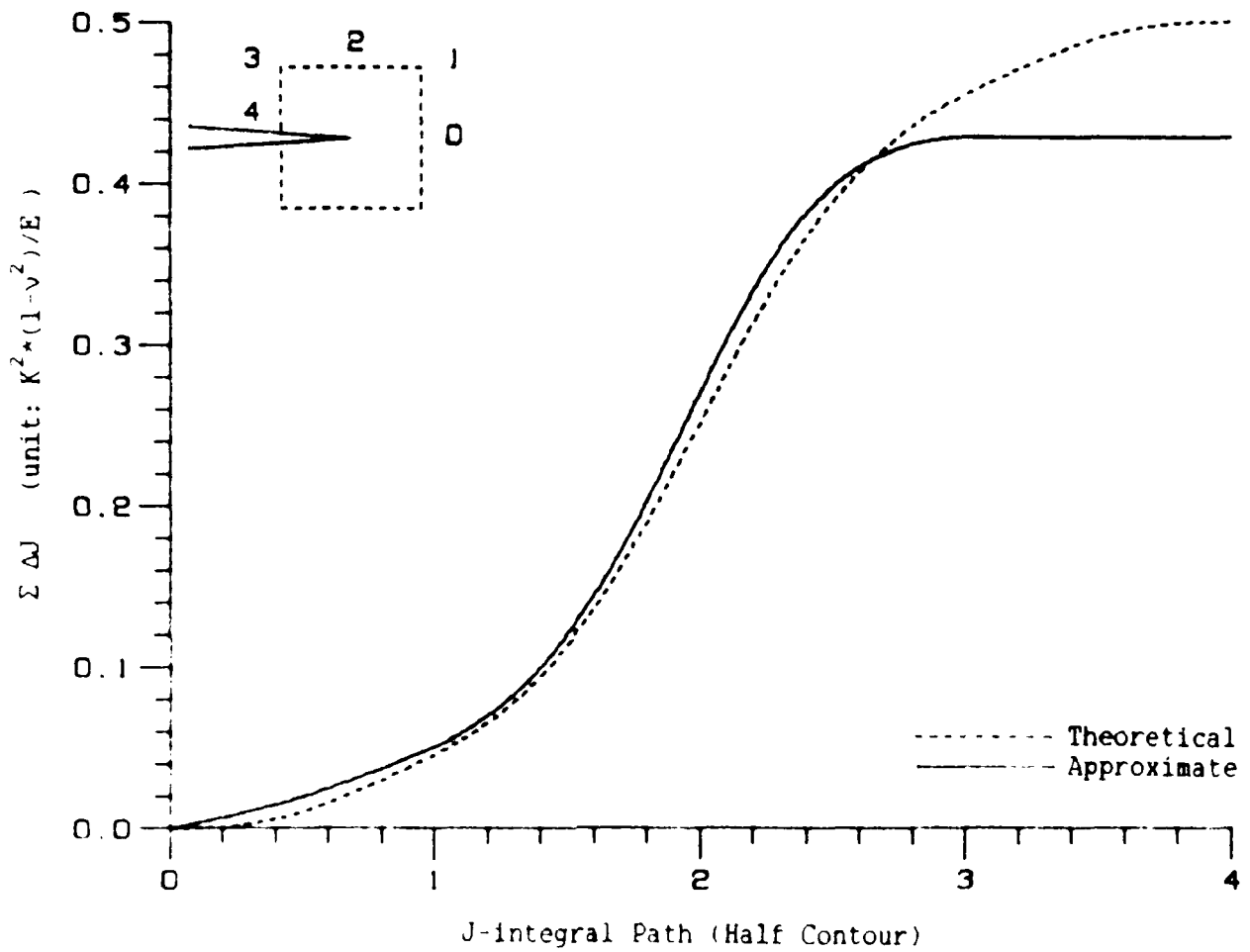


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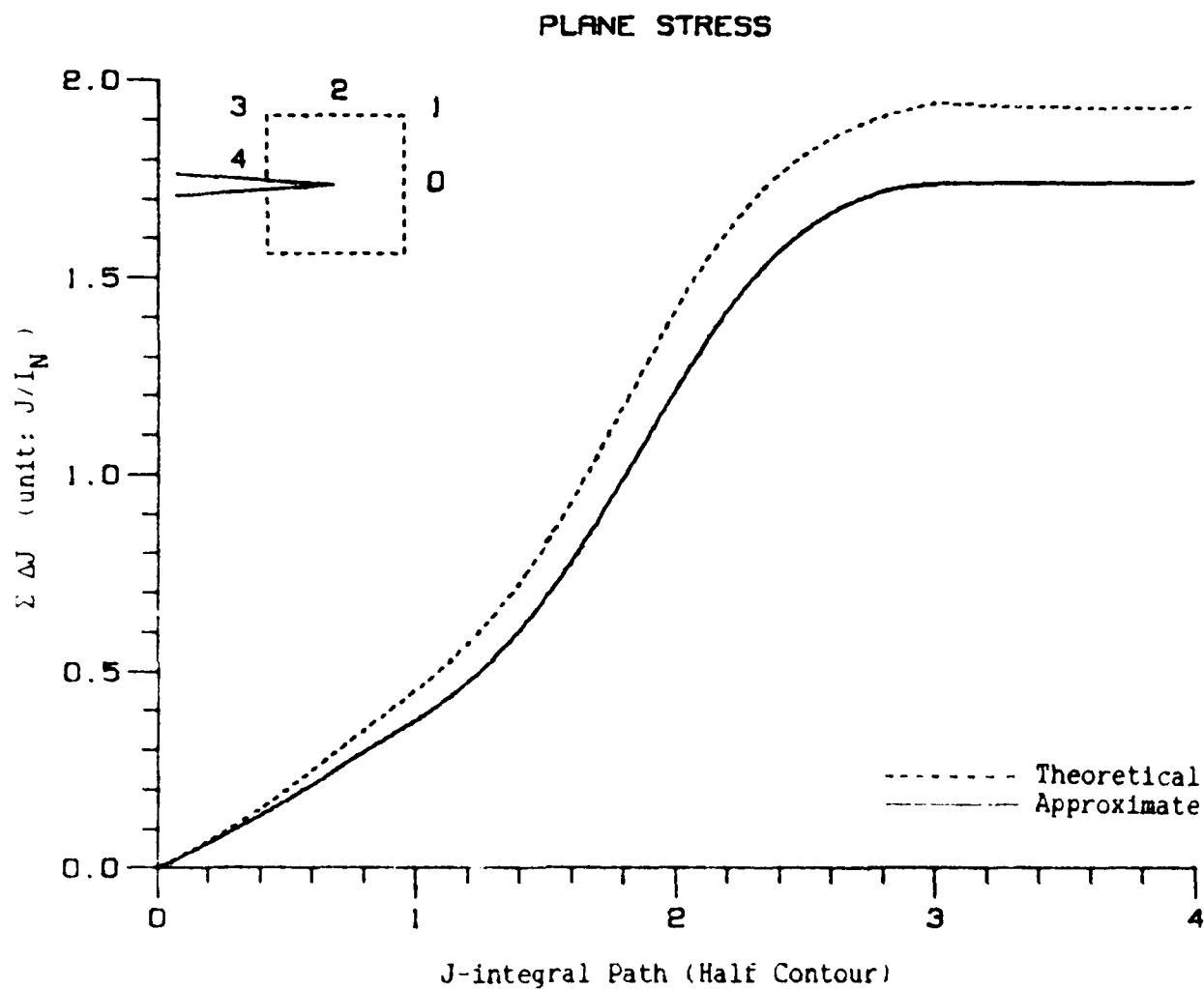


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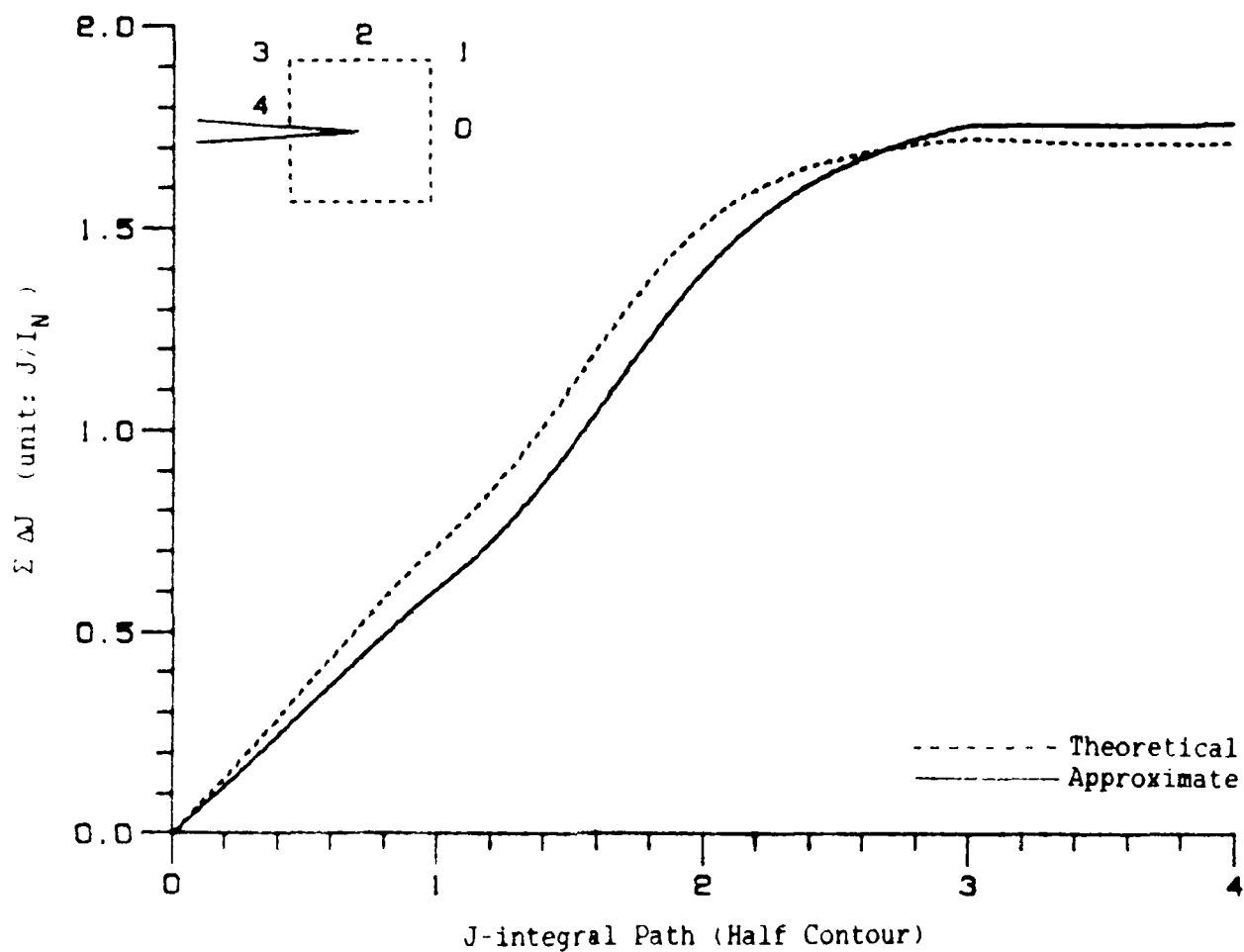


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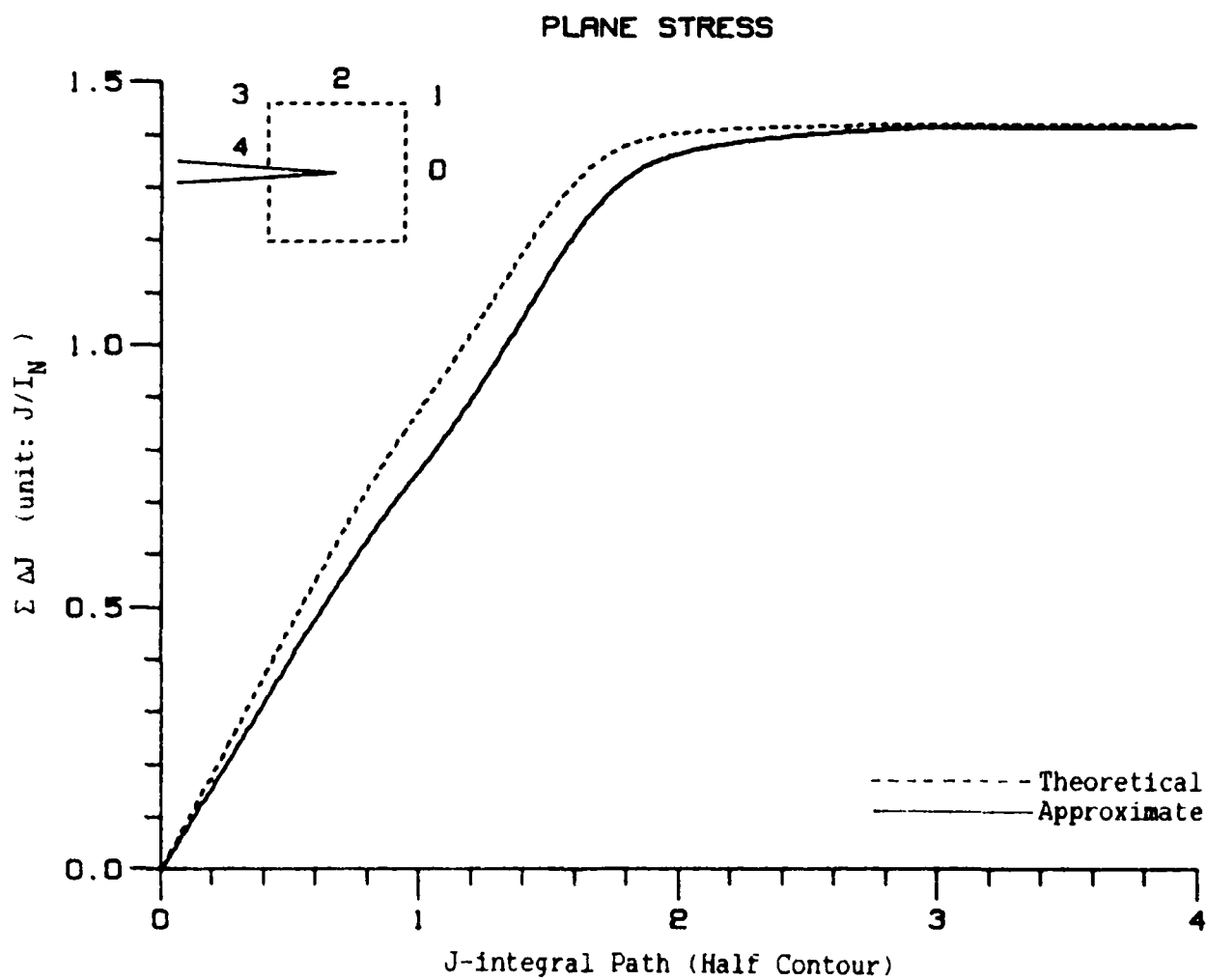


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$$\sin \alpha = \frac{1}{2} \lambda f$$

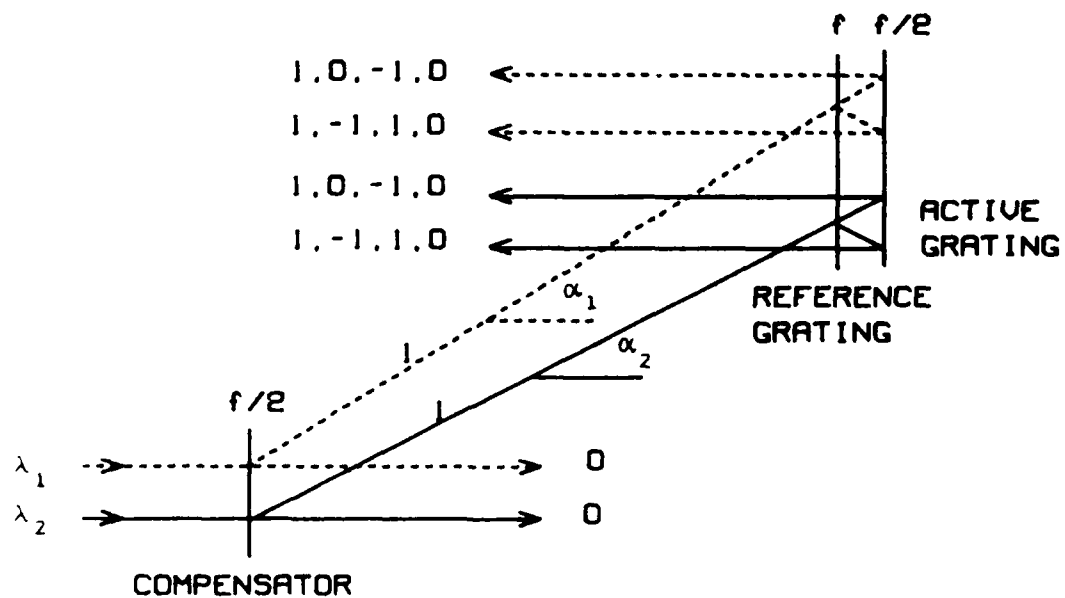


Figure 7 Optical Paths for White Light Moire Interferometry.  
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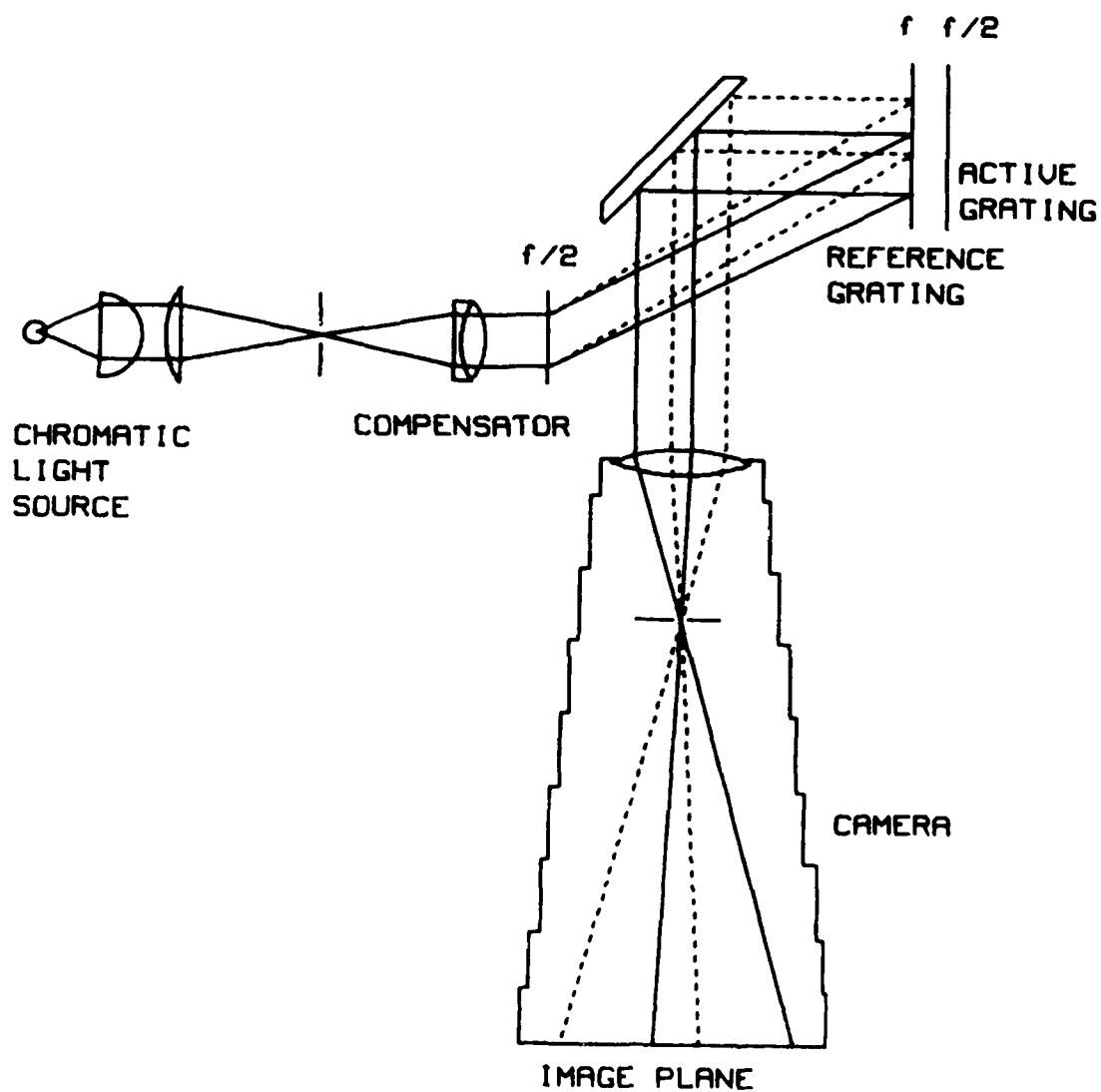
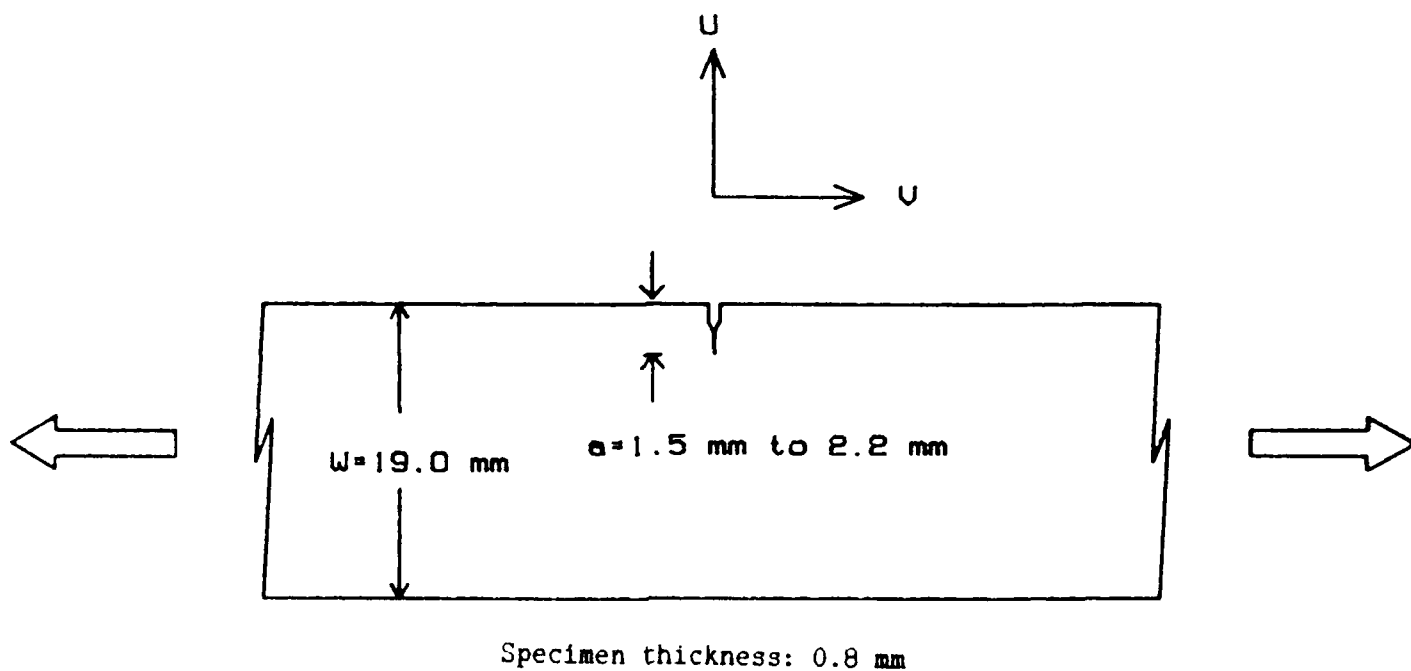


Figure 8 Optical Set-Up for White Light Moiré Interferometry.  
( $f=100$  lines/mm)



Aluminum	Yield Stress (MPa)	Young's Modulus (MPa)	$\alpha$	N
2024-0	64	72260	0.35	5
7075-T6	504	71840	0.1	47

$$\epsilon_{yy} = \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{E} + \alpha \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{E} \left( \frac{\sigma_{yy}}{\sigma_0} \right)^{N-1}$$

Figure 4 Single Edge Notched (SEN) Specimens.



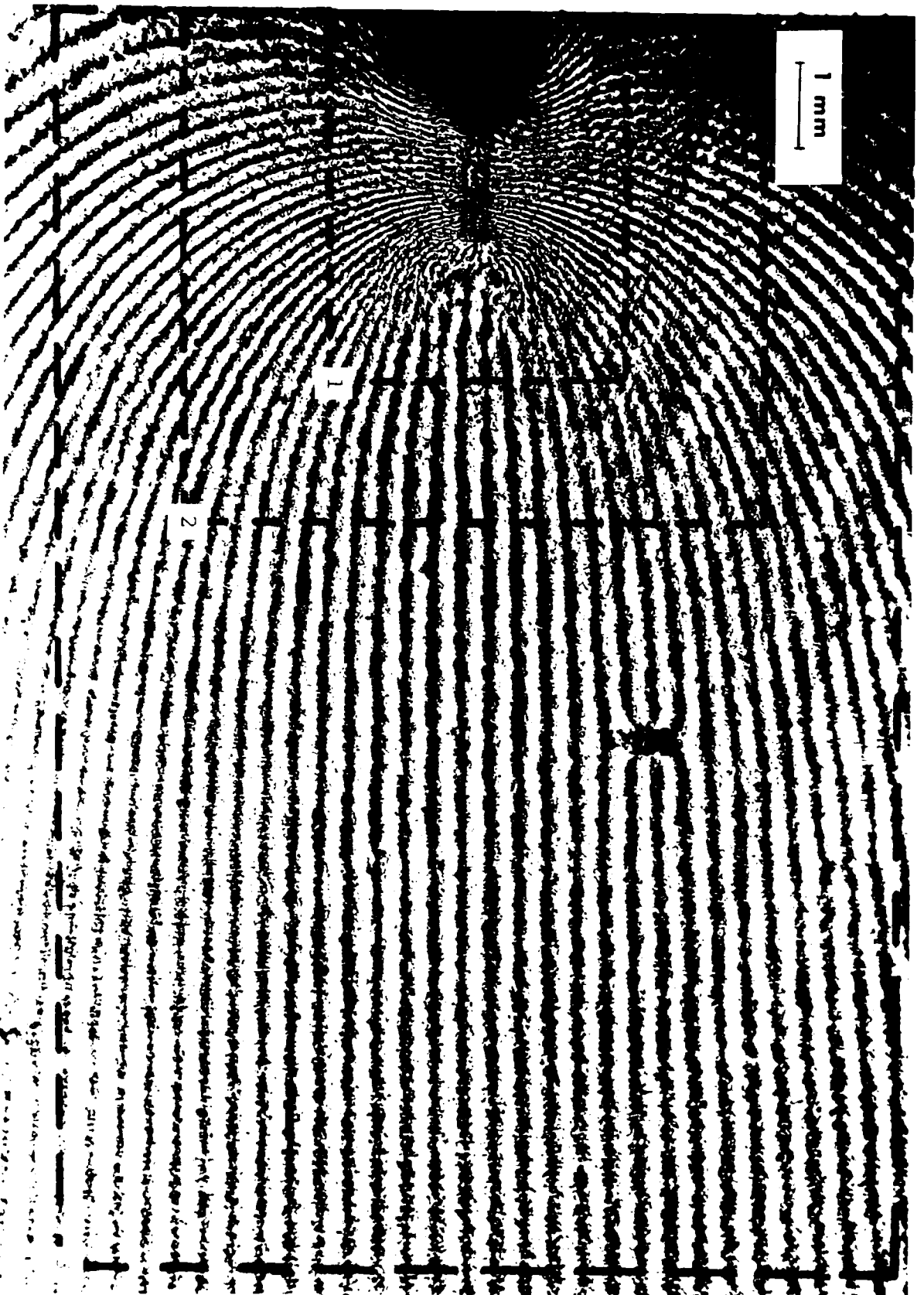


Figure 10  $U_y$ -displacement Field Surrounding a Stably Extended Crack  
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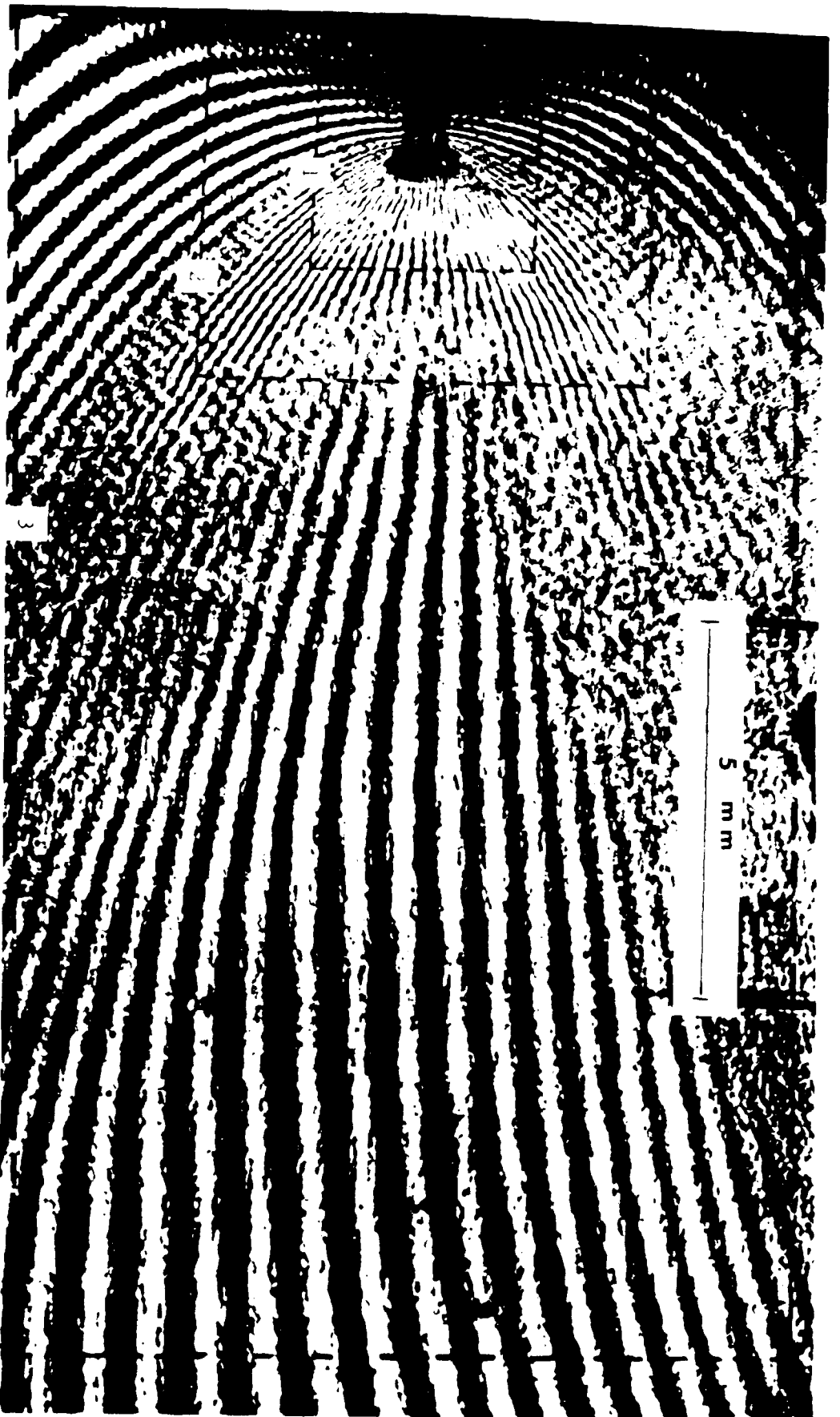


Figure 11 U-displacement field surrounding a stably extended crack in a fatigue precracked 2024-T3 aluminum SEN specimen and the paths chosen for J integral. Frame No. KJCI 2.

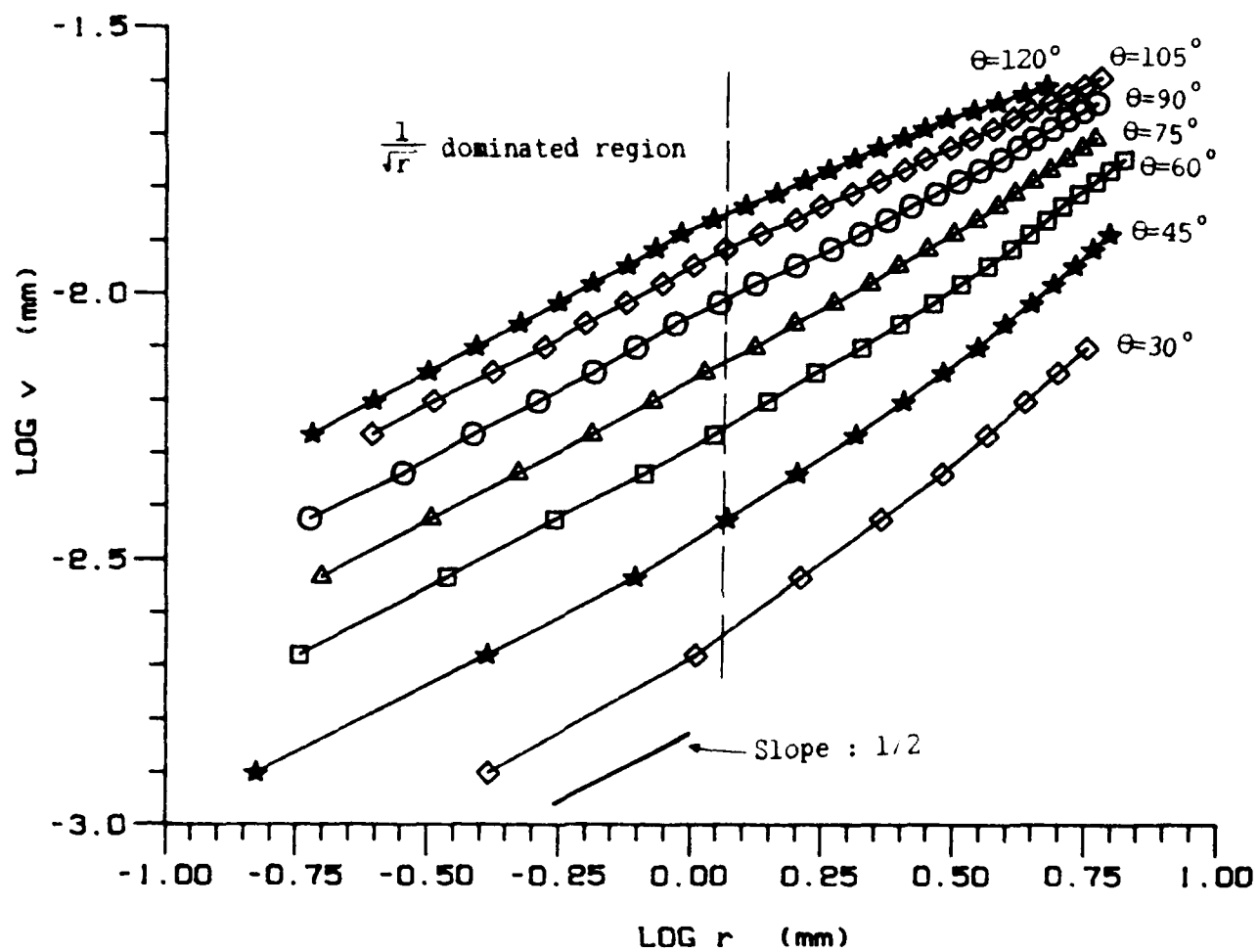


Figure 12  $\log u_y$  Versus  $\log r$  Plots of  $U_y$  displacement Field.  
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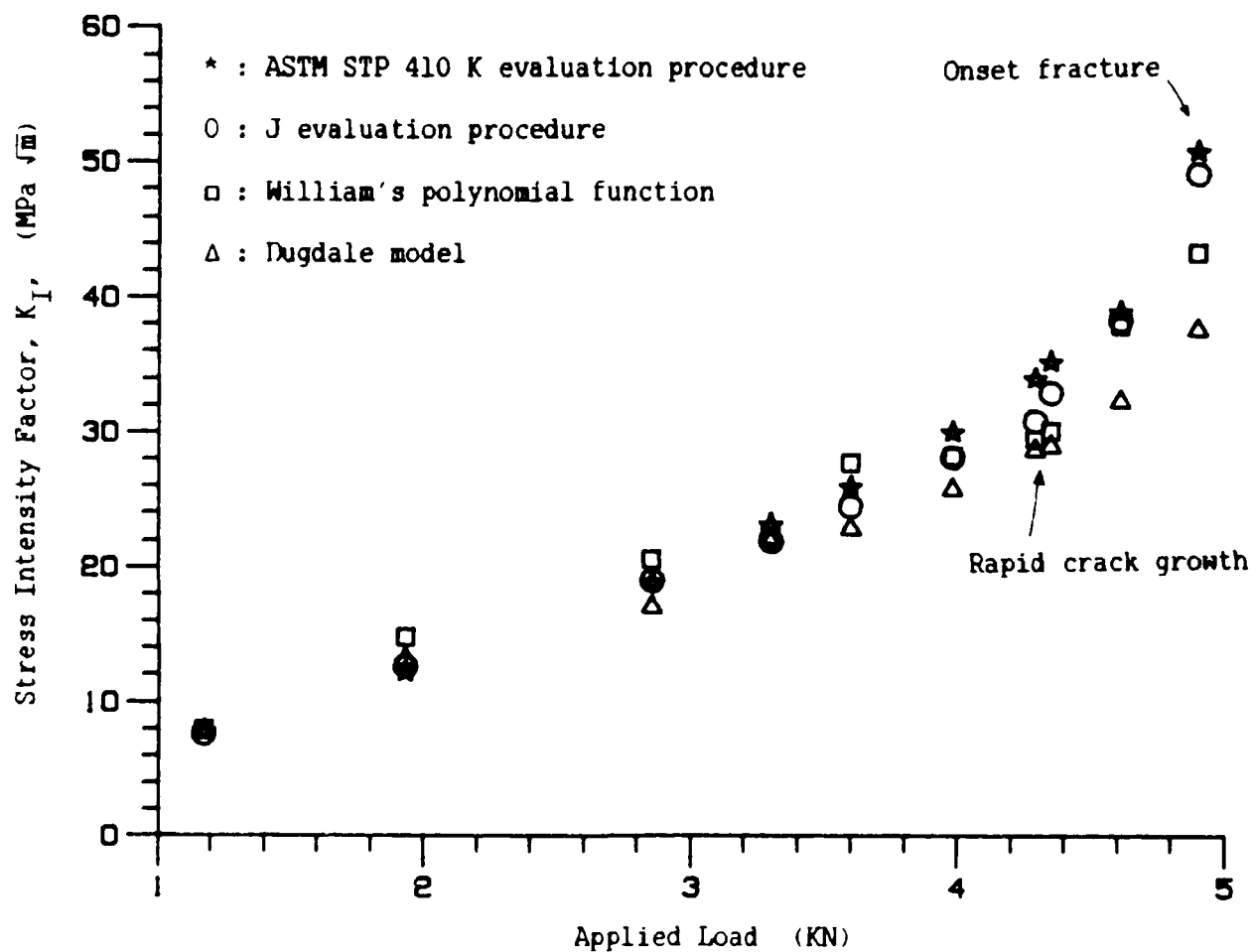


Figure 13 Stress Intensity Factor Versus Applied Load.  
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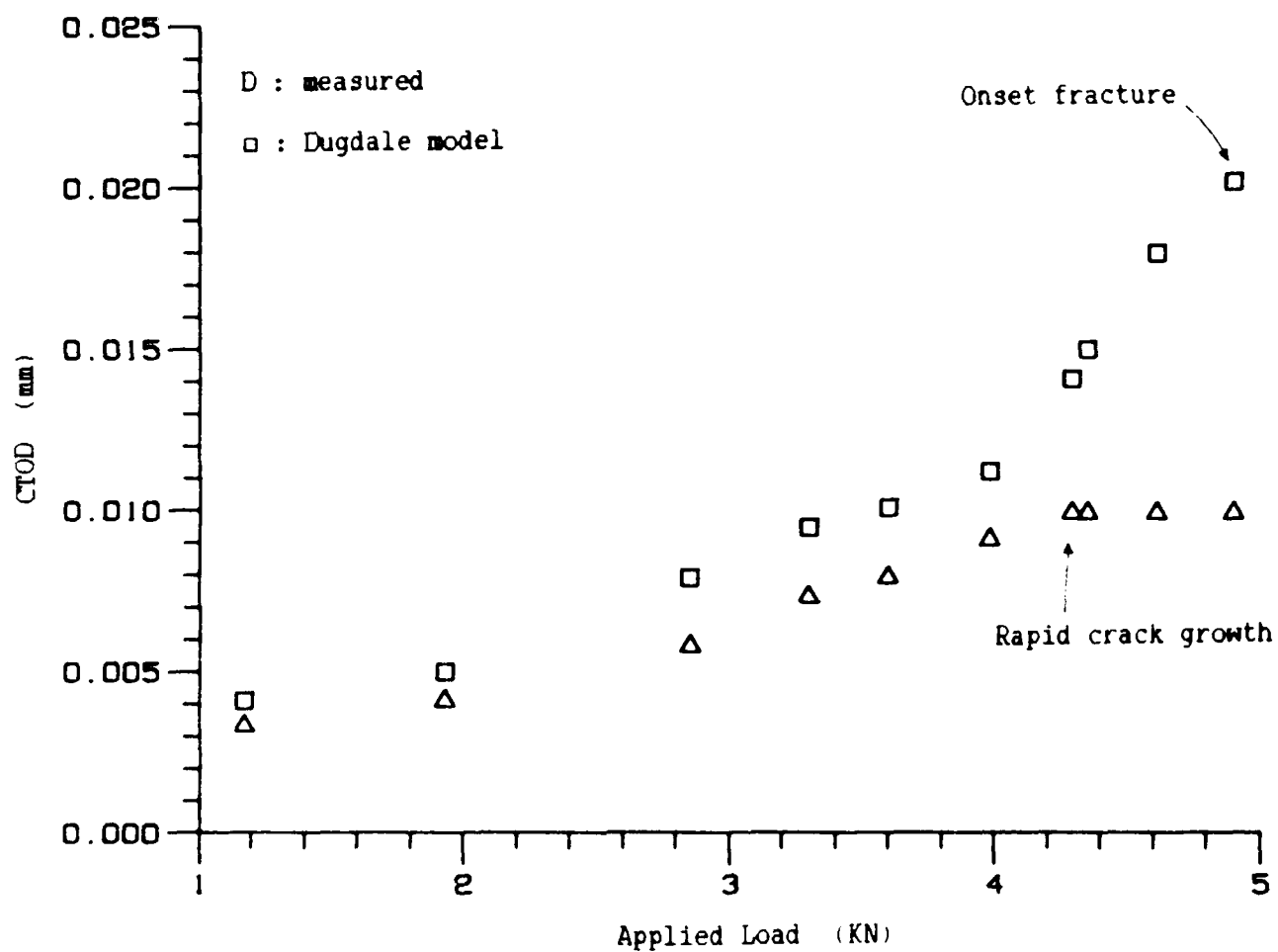


Figure 14 Crack Tip Opening Displacement Versus Applied Load.  
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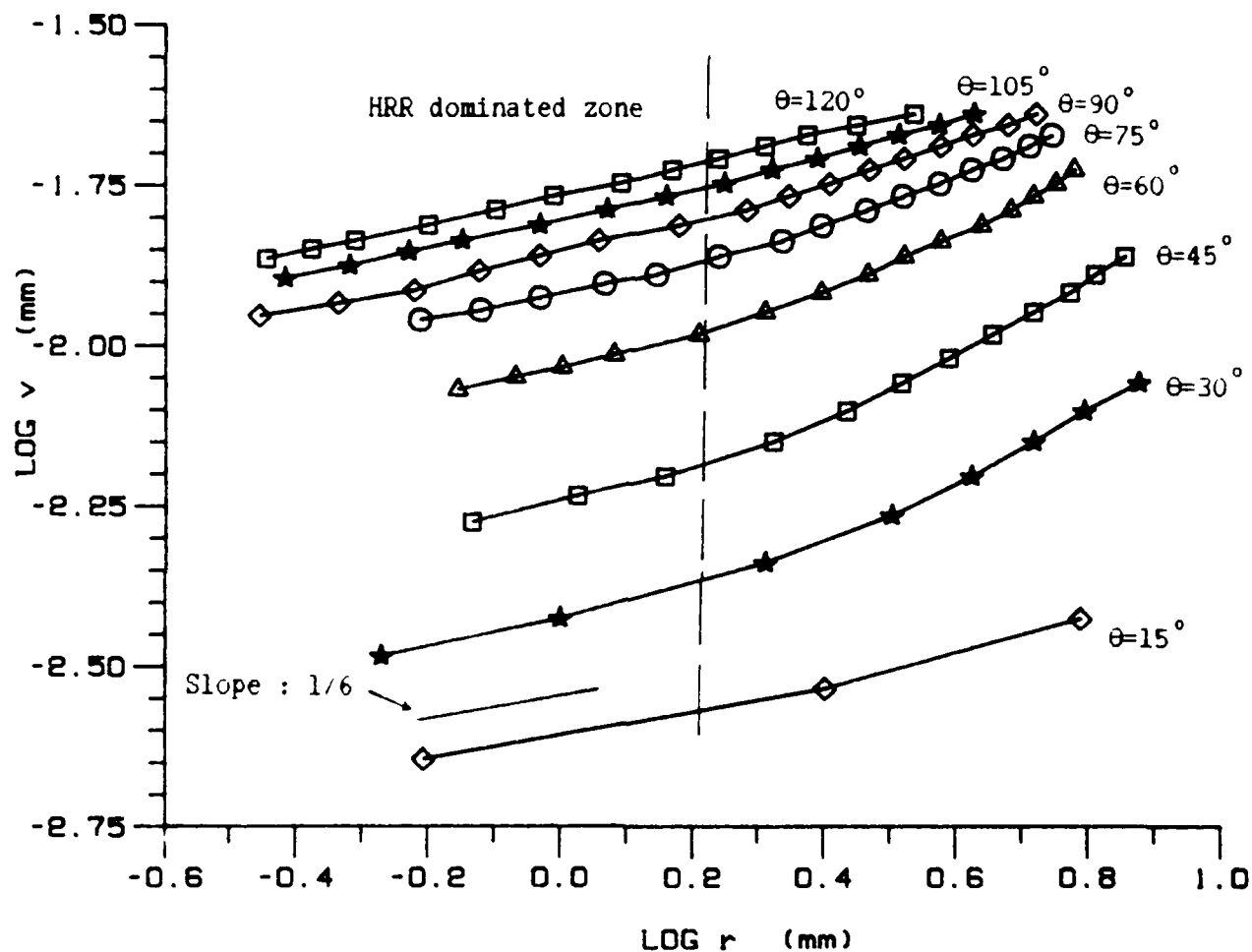


Figure 15  $\text{Log } u_y$  Versus  $\text{Log } r$  Plots of  $U_y$ -displacement Field.  
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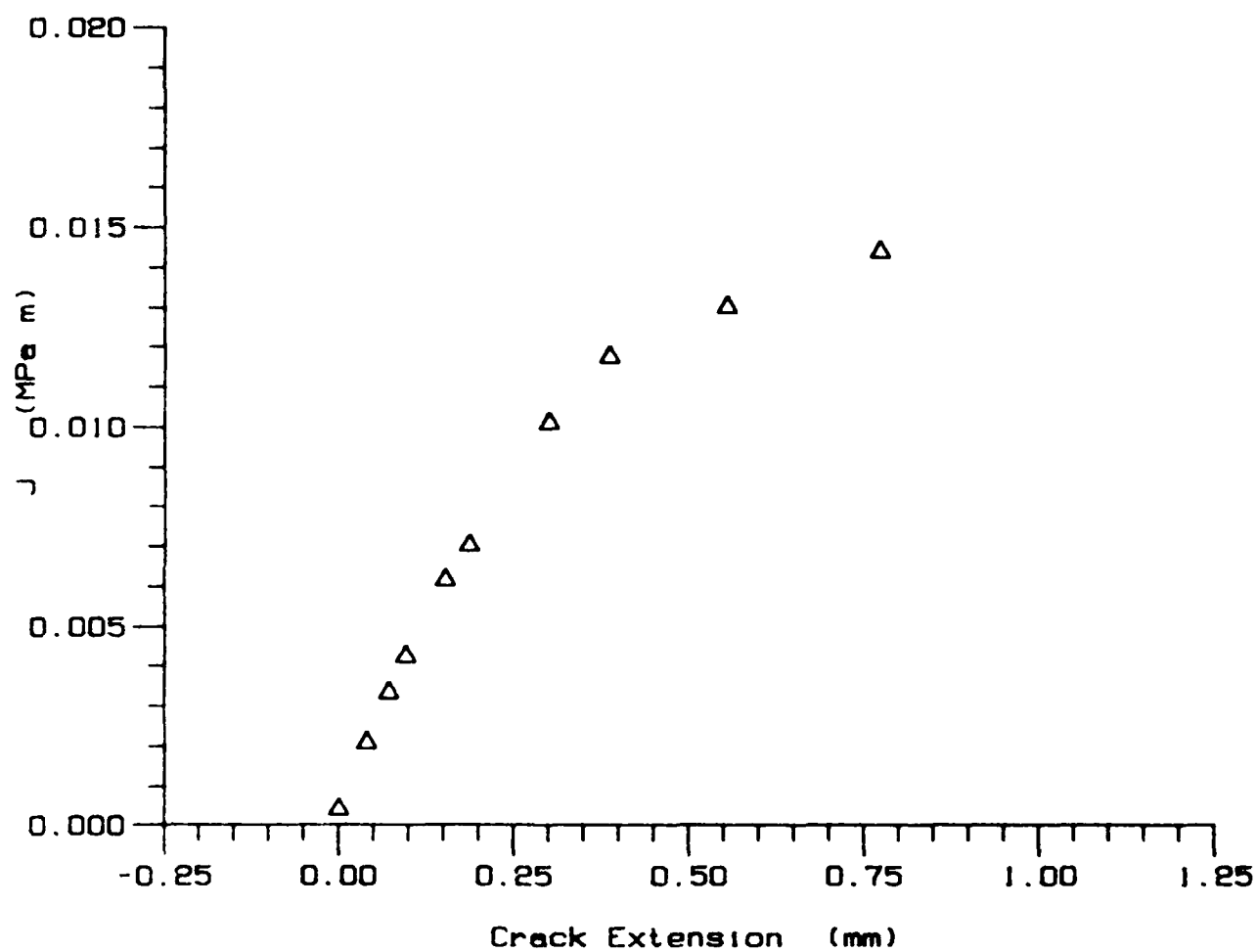


Figure 16 Approximate J Values Versus Crack Extension.  
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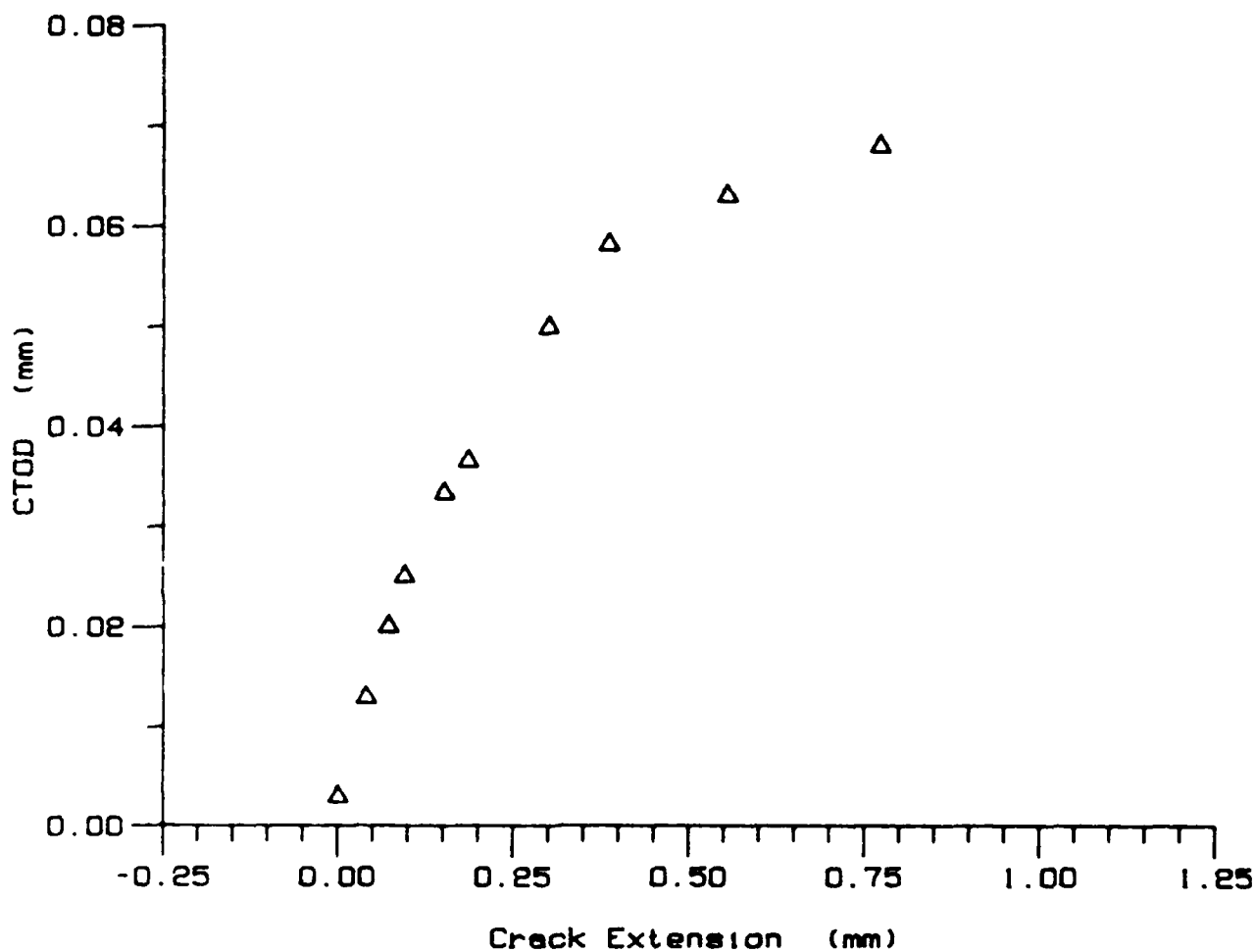


Figure 17 Measured Crack Tip Opening Displacement (CTOD) Values Versus Crack Extension. 2024-O Aluminum Fatigue Precracked SEN Specimen. Specimen No. KJCl.



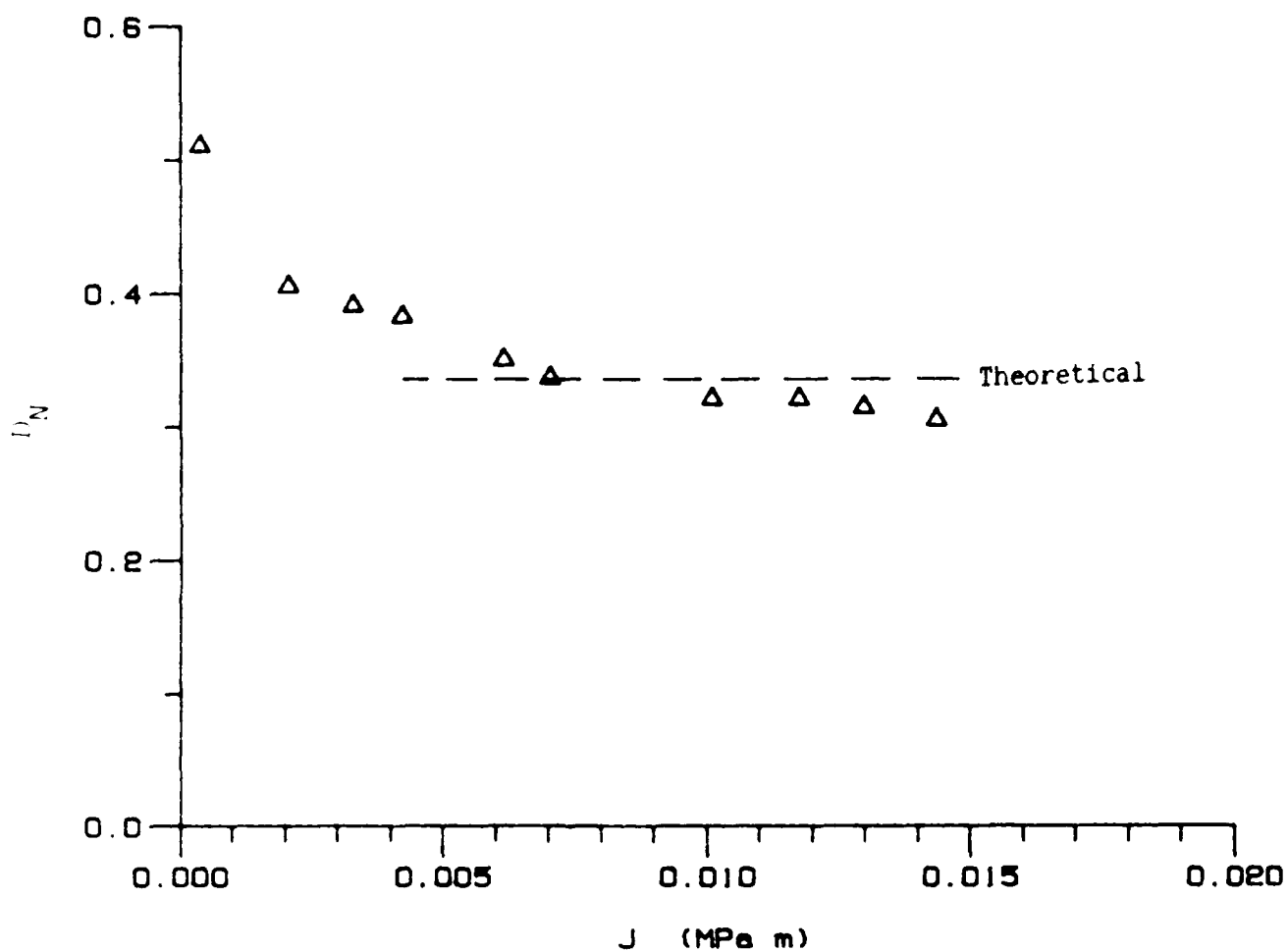


Figure 18 Variation of  $D_N$  With Crack Extension. 2024-O Aluminum Fatigue Precracked SEN Specimen;  $D_N = \delta_t / (J/\sigma_0)$ . Specimen No. KJCl.

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